

# Deductive Synthesis of Programs that Alter Data Structures

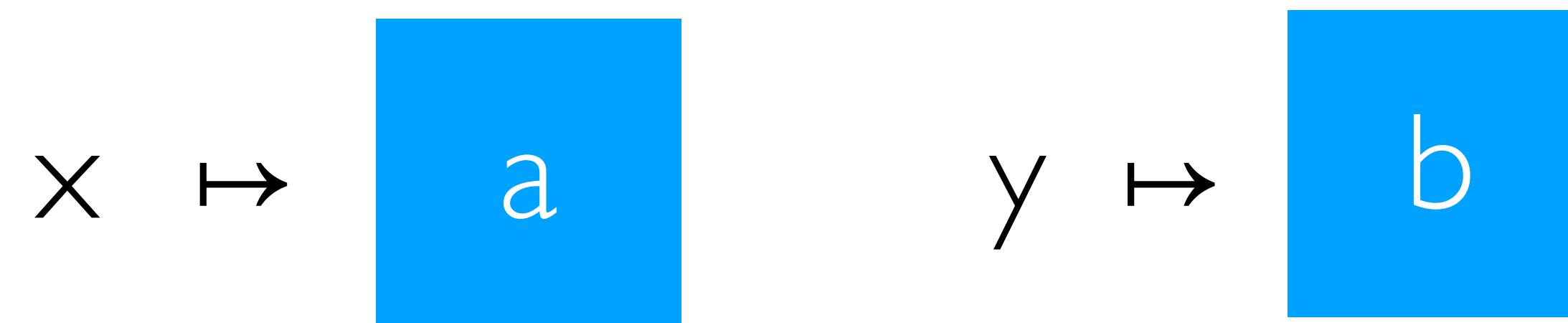
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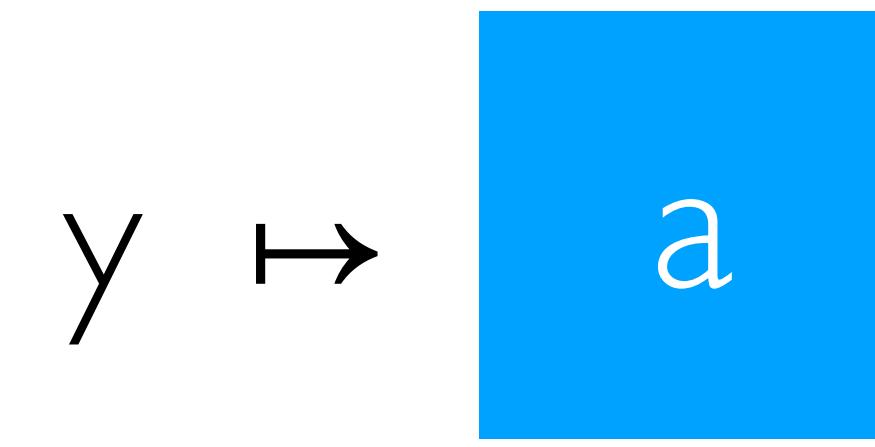
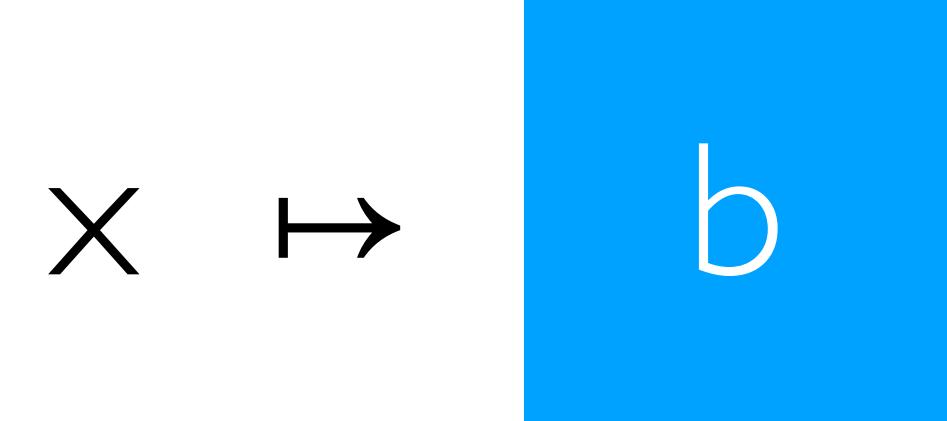


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swap

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void swap(loc x, loc y)
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$$\{ \ x \mapsto a \wedge y \mapsto b \ }$$

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$$\{ \ x \mapsto b \wedge y \mapsto a \ }$$

“separately”

{  $x \mapsto a$  \*  $y \mapsto b$  }

void swap(loc x, loc y)

{  $x \mapsto b$  \*  $y \mapsto a$  }

Peter W. O’Hearn, John C. Reynolds, Hongseok Yang:  
Local Reasoning about Programs that Alter Data Structures. CSL 2001

$$\{ \boxed{x} \mapsto a * \boxed{y} \mapsto b \}$$

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void swap(loc x, loc y)
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$$\{ \boxed{x} \mapsto b * \boxed{y} \mapsto a \}$$

$$\{ \ x \mapsto \boxed{a} * \ y \mapsto \boxed{b} \}$$

```
void swap(loc x, loc y)
```

$$\{ \ x \mapsto \boxed{b} * \ y \mapsto \boxed{a} \}$$

$$\{ \ x \mapsto \boxed{a} * y \mapsto b \ }$$

??

$$\{ \ x \mapsto b * y \mapsto \boxed{a} \}$$

```
let a2 = *x;  
  
{ x ↦ a2 * y ↦ b }  
  
??  
  
{ x ↦ b * y ↦ a2 }
```

```
let a2 = *x;  
let b2 = *y;  
{ x ↦ a2 * y ↦ b2 }  
??  
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```
let a2 = *x;
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```
let b2 = *y;
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```
*x = b2;
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{ x ↦ b2 * y ↦ b2 }
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let a2 = *x;
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{ x ↳ b2 * y ↳ a2 }
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{ x ↛ b2 * y ↛ a2 }
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$x \rightarrow b2 * y \rightarrow a2 \vdash x \rightarrow b2 * y \rightarrow a2$

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*y = a2;
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}
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# Reasoning with Symbolic Heaps

# Symbolic Heap Entailment

$$P \vdash Q$$

Any heap (state) that satisfies  $P$ , also satisfies  $Q$ .

# Program Validity wrt. Pre/Postcondition

$$\{ P \} \quad c \quad \{ Q \}$$

If the initial state satisfies  $P$ , then, after  $c$  terminates, the final state satisfies  $Q$ .

# Transforming Entailment

(this work)

$$P \xrightarrow{\sim} Q$$

There exists a program **c**, such that  
for any initial state satisfying **P**,  
**c**, after it terminates,  
will transform to a state satisfying **Q**.

$P \vdash Q$  implies  $P \rightsquigarrow Q$

“Proof”: skip

$$x \mapsto a \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad x \mapsto 42$$

“Proof”:  $*x = 42$

$x \rightarrow a \rightsquigarrow x \rightarrow 42 \mid *x = 42$

$P \xrightarrow{\sim} Q \mid c$

$P$  transforms to  $Q$  via a program  $c$ .

**Theorem:**

$$P \rightsquigarrow Q \mid c \quad \text{implies} \quad \{ P \} \subset \{ Q \}$$

$\{ P \} ?? \{ Q \}$ 

*Declarative*

vs

 $P \rightsquigarrow Q | c$ 

*Algorithmic*

# Synthetic Separation Logic

$$\Gamma; P \rightsquigarrow Q \mid c$$

$$\Gamma ; P \rightsquigarrow Q \mid c$$

- $(\Gamma, P, Q)$  — *goal*
- **GV** ( $\Gamma, P, Q$ ) — *ghost variables* (scope: *pre/postcondition*)
- **EV** ( $\Gamma, P, Q$ ) — *existentials* (scope: *postcondition*)

$\Gamma; \{emp\} \rightsquigarrow \{emp\} \mid ??$

$\Gamma; \{emp\} \rightsquigarrow \{emp\} \mid \text{skip} \quad (\text{Emp})$

$$a \in GV(\Gamma,P,Q)$$

$$\Gamma; \{ x \mapsto a * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \mid ??$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} a \in \text{GV}(\Gamma, P, Q) \quad y \text{ is fresh} \\ \Gamma, y ; [y/a]\{ x \mapsto y * P \} \rightsquigarrow [y/a]\{ Q \} \mid c \end{array}}{\Gamma ; \{ x \mapsto a * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \mid \text{let } y = *x; c} \text{(Read)}$$

$\Gamma; \{ x \mapsto - * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto e * Q \} \mid ??$

$$\text{Vars}(e) \subseteq \Gamma$$

$$\Gamma ; \{ x \mapsto e * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto e * Q \} \mid c$$

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(Write)

$$\Gamma ; \{ x \mapsto - * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto e * Q \} \mid *x = e; c$$

$\Gamma; \{ P * R \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q * R \} \mid ??$

$$EV(\Gamma, P, Q) \cap Vars(R) = \emptyset$$

$$\Gamma ; \{ P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \mid c$$

---

(Frame)

$$\Gamma ; \{ P * R \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q * R \} \mid c$$

$\Gamma; \{ \text{emp} \} \rightsquigarrow \{ \text{emp} \} \mid \text{skip}$ 

(Emp)

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} a \in \text{GV}(\Gamma, P, Q) \\ y \text{ is fresh} \end{array}}{\Gamma, y; [y/a]\{ x \mapsto y * P \} \rightsquigarrow [y/a]\{ Q \} \mid c} \text{ (Read)}$$
$$\Gamma; \{ x \mapsto a * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \mid \text{let } y = *x; c$$

$$\text{EV}(\Gamma, P, Q) \cap \text{Vars}(R) = \emptyset$$

$$\Gamma; \{ P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \mid c$$

(Frame)

$$\Gamma; \{ P * R \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q * R \} \mid c$$

$$\text{Vars}(e) \subseteq \Gamma$$

$$\Gamma; \{ x \mapsto e * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto e * Q \} \mid c$$

(Write)

$$\Gamma; \{ x \mapsto - * P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto e * Q \} \mid *x = e; c$$

$$\{ x \mapsto a * y \mapsto b \}$$

void swap(loc x, loc y)

$$\{ x \mapsto b * y \mapsto a \}$$

{ x, y } ; { x ↪ a \* y ↪ b } ↩ { x ↪ b \* y ↪ a } | ??

$$\{ x, y, a2 \} ; \{ x \mapsto a2 * y \mapsto b \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto b * y \mapsto a2 \} \mid ??$$

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(Read)

$$\{ x, y \} ; \{ x \mapsto a * y \mapsto b \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto b * y \mapsto a \} \mid \text{let } a2 = *x; ??$$

$$\{x, y, a2, b2\}; \{x \mapsto a2 * y \mapsto b2\} \rightsquigarrow \{x \mapsto b2 * y \mapsto a2\} \mid ??$$

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 \frac{\{x, y, a2, b2\}; \{ \text{emp} \} \rightsquigarrow \{ \text{emp} \} \mid ??}{\{x, y, a2, b2\}; \{y \mapsto a2\} \rightsquigarrow \{y \mapsto a2\} \mid ??} \text{ (Frame)} \\
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 \end{array}$$

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void swap( loc x, loc y) {  
    let a2 = *x;  
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    *x = b2;  
    *y = a2;  
}
```

# Unification and Non-Determinism

$$\{ x \mapsto 239 * y \mapsto 30 \}$$

```
void pick(loc x, loc y)
```

$$\{ x \mapsto z * y \mapsto z \}$$

{  $x \mapsto 239$  \*  $y \mapsto 30$  }

void pick(loc x, loc y)

{  $x \mapsto z$  \*  $y \mapsto z$  }

$$[\sigma]R' = R$$

$$\emptyset \neq \text{dom}(\sigma) \subseteq \text{EV}(\Gamma, P, Q)$$

$$\Gamma; \{ P * R \} \rightsquigarrow [\sigma]\{ Q * R' \} \mid c$$

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(UnifyHeaps)

$$\Gamma; \{ P * R \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q * R' \} \mid c$$

$$\{ x, y \}; \{ x \mapsto 239 * y \mapsto 30 \} \rightsquigarrow \{ x \mapsto z * y \mapsto z \}$$

$R = x \mapsto 239$

$R' = x \mapsto z$

$\sigma = [z \mapsto 239]$

$R = y \mapsto 30$

$R' = y \mapsto z$

$\sigma = [z \mapsto 30]$

```
void pick(loc x, loc y) {  
    *y = 239;  
}
```

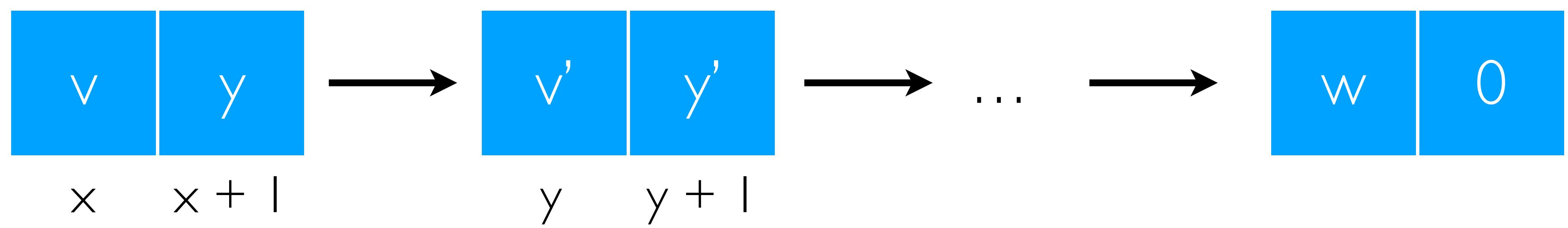
```
void pick(loc x, loc y) {  
    *x = 30;  
}
```

Pure Parts

$$\Gamma ; \{ P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ Q \} \quad | \quad c$$

$$\Gamma ; \{ \varphi; P \} \rightsquigarrow \{ \psi; Q \} \quad | \quad c$$

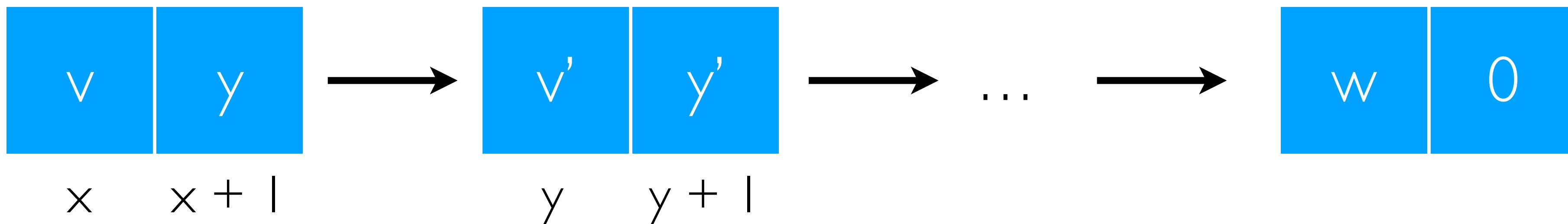
# Inductive Predicates and Recursion



```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
    | x = 0  $\wedge$  { s =  $\emptyset$  ; emp }
    | x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  { s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [x, 2] * x  $\mapsto$  v * (x + 1)  $\mapsto$  y * lseg(y, s') }
}

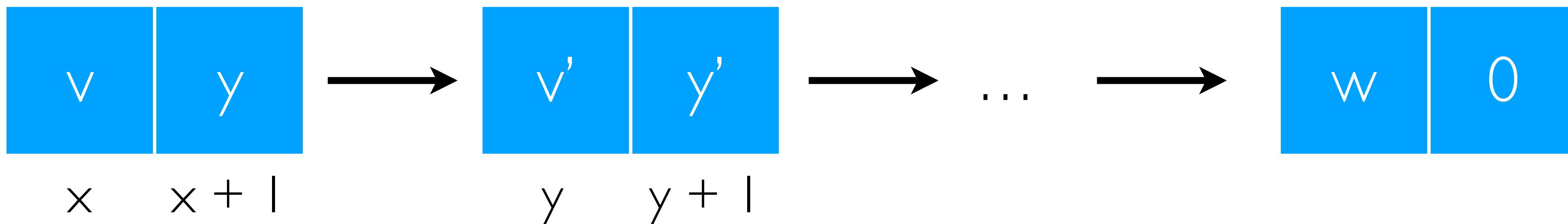
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```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
| x = 0  $\wedge \{ s = \emptyset \text{ ; emp } \}$ 
| x ≠ 0  $\wedge \{ s = \{v\} \cup s' \text{ ; } [x, 2] * x \mapsto v * (x + 1) \mapsto y * lseg(y, s') \}$ 
}

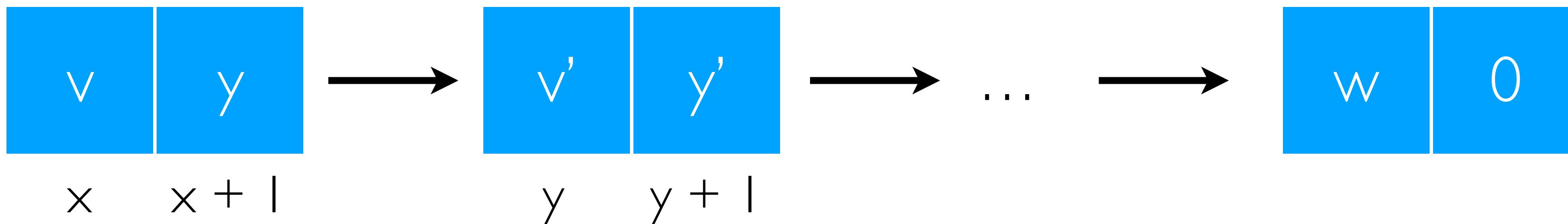
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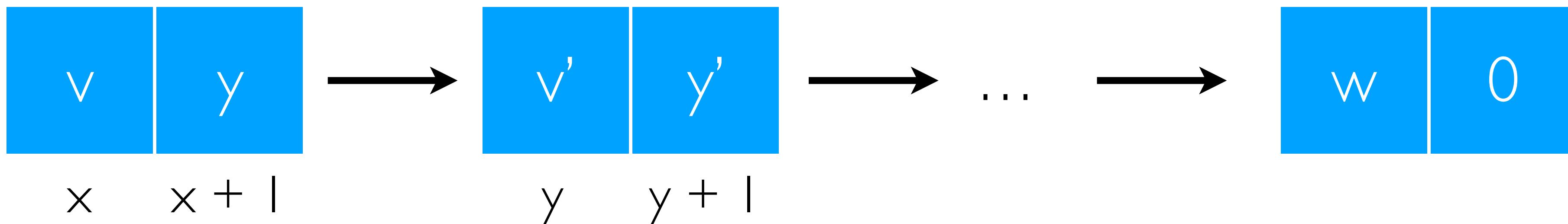
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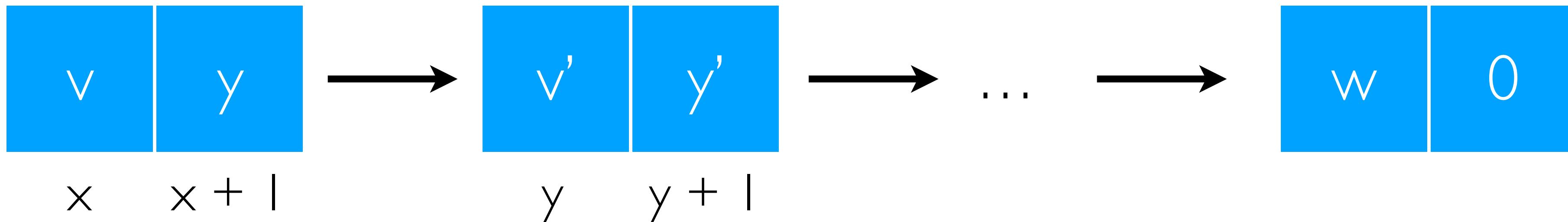
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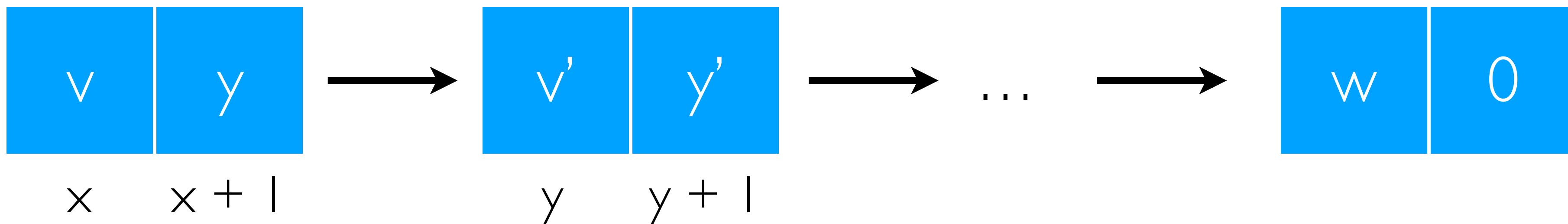
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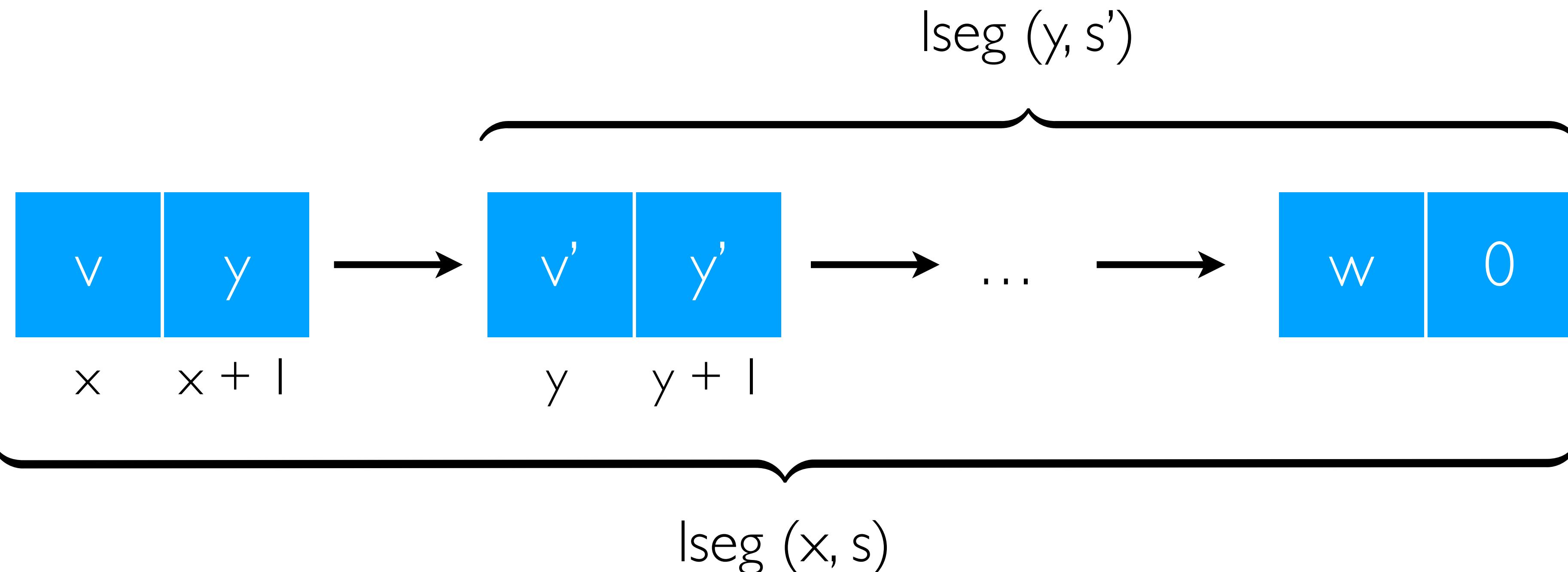
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}

```



```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {  
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }  
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }  
}
```

{ lseg (x, s) }

```
void listfree(loc x)
```

{ emp }

```
predicate lseg(loc x, set s) {  
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }  
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }  
}
```

```
{ lseg1(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
```

{ lseg<sup>0</sup>(x, s) }

??

{ emp }

```
predicate lseg(loc x, set s) {
|  $x = 0 \wedge \{ s = \emptyset \text{ ; emp } \}$ 
|  $x \neq 0 \wedge \{ s = \{v\} \cup s' \text{ ; } [x, 2] * x \mapsto v * (x + 1) \mapsto y * lseg(y, s') \}$ 
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{ lseg1(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
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| x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
| x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
```

```
{ lseg1(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
```

```
if (x == 0) {
{ x = 0 ; lseg0(x, s) }

??
{ emp }

} else {
{ x ≠ 0 ; lseg0(x, s) }

??
{ emp }

}
```

```
predicate lseg(loc x, set s) {
| x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
| x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
```

```
{ lseg1(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
```

```
if (x == 0) {
{ x = 0 ∧ s = ∅ ; emp }

??  

{ emp }

} else {
{ x ≠ 0 ∧ s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg1(y, s') }

??  

{ emp }

}
```

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predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
}
```

```
  if (x == 0) {
    { x = 0 ∧ s = ∅ ; emp }

    skip
    { emp }

  } else {
    { x ≠ 0 ∧ s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg1(y, s') }

    ??

    { emp }
  }
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{ lseg1(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
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predicate lseg(loc x, set s) {
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}
```

```
if (x == 0) {} else {
  { x ≠ 0 ∧ s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg1(y, s') }
  ???
  { emp }
}
```

```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0  $\wedge$  { s =  $\emptyset$  ; emp }
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}

if (x == 0) {} else {

  let nxt2 = *(x + 1);

  { x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [x, 2] * x  $\mapsto$  v * (x + 1)  $\mapsto$  nxt2 } * lseg1(nxt2, s') }

  ???

  { emp }

}

```

{ lseg1(x, s) } **void** listfree(**loc** x) { emp }

```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
}
```

```
{ lseg1 (x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }
```

```
if (x == 0) {} else {
  let nxt2 = *(x + 1);
  free(x);
  { x ≠ 0 ∧ s = {v} ∪ s' ; lseg1 (nxt2, s') }
  ???
  { emp }
}
```

```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0  $\wedge$  { s =  $\emptyset$  ; emp }
  | x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  { s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [x, 2] * x  $\mapsto$  v * (x + 1)  $\mapsto$  y * lseg(y, s') }
}

if (x == 0) {} else {

  let nxt2 = *(x + 1);

  free(x);

  listfree(nxt2);

  { x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; emp }

  ??

  { emp }

}

```

{ lseg<sup>1</sup>(x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }

```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
}

if (x == 0) {} else {
  let nxt2 = *(x + 1);
  free(x);
  listfree(nxt2);
  skip;
}
```

{ lseg1 (x, s) } void listfree(loc x) { emp }

```
void listfree(loc x) {  
    if (x == 0) {} else {  
        let nxt2 = *(x + 1);  
        free(x);  
        listfree(nxt2);  
    }  
}
```

“Unfolding” Predicate Instances  
in a Postcondition

```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {  
|  $x = 0 \wedge \{s = \emptyset\}$ ; emp }  
|  $x \neq 0 \wedge \{s = \{v\} \cup s' ; [x, 2] * x \mapsto v * (x + 1) \mapsto y * lseg(y, s')\}$   
}
```

$$\{ s = \{v\} \cup s' ; lseg^1(y, s') \}$$

??

$$\{ lseg^0(z, s) \}$$

```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
  | x = 0  $\wedge$  { s =  $\emptyset$  ; emp }
  | x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  { s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [x, 2] * x  $\mapsto$  v * (x + 1)  $\mapsto$  y * lseg(y, s') }
}

```

$\{ s = \{v\} \cup s' ; \text{lseg}^1(y, s') \}$

??

$\Rightarrow \text{UNSAT}$

$\{ z = 0 \wedge s = \emptyset ; \text{emp} \}$



```

predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {
| x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }
| x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }
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```

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??

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}

```

{ s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; **lseg1** (y, s') }

??

{ z  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v'}  $\cup$  s'' ; [z, 2] \* z  $\mapsto$  v' \* (z + 1)  $\mapsto$  z' \* **lseg1** (z', s';) }

```

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  | x = 0  $\wedge$  { s =  $\emptyset$  ; emp }
  | x  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  { s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [x, 2] * x  $\mapsto$  v * (x + 1)  $\mapsto$  y * lseg(y, s') }
}

```

{ s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; **lseg1** (y, s') }

??

{ z  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v'}  $\cup$  s' ; [z, 2] \* z  $\mapsto$  v' \* (z + 1)  $\mapsto$  y \* **lseg1** (y, s') }

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}
```

{ s = {v} ∪ s' ; emp }

??

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}

```

```

let z = malloc(2);

{ z  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v}  $\cup$  s' ; [z, 2] * z  $\mapsto$  - * (z + 1)  $\mapsto$  - }

???

{ z  $\neq$  0  $\wedge$  s = {v'}  $\cup$  s' ; [z, 2] * z  $\mapsto$  v' * (z + 1)  $\mapsto$  y }

```

```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {  
  | x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }  
  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }  
}
```

```
let z = malloc(2);  
  
{ z ≠ 0 ; [z, 2] * z ↦ - * (z + 1) ↦ - }  
  
??  
  
{ z ≠ 0 ; [z, 2] * z ↦ v * (z + 1) ↦ y }
```

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  | x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }  
}
```

**let** z = malloc(2);

z := v;

{ z ≠ 0 ; (z + 1) ↦ - }

??

{ z ≠ 0 ; (z + 1) ↦ y }

```
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{ z ≠ 0 ; emp }

???

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```

**let** z = malloc(2);

z := v;

(z + 1) := y;

**skip**

```
predicate lseg (loc x, set s) {  
| x = 0 ∧ { s = ∅ ; emp }  
| x ≠ 0 ∧ { s = {v} ∪ s' ; [x, 2] * x ↦ v * (x + 1) ↦ y * lseg(y, s') }  
}
```

$$\{ s = \{v\} \cup s' ; \text{lseg}^1(y, s') \}$$

```
let z = malloc(2);
```

```
z := v;
```

```
(z + 1) := y;
```

$$\{ \text{lseg}^0(z, s) \}$$

# Tags and Termination

- Tags in *preconditions* ensure recursive calls on smaller *sub-heaps*
  - Recursive calls “seal” their resulting heaps, erasing tags and preventing “*chained*” recursive calls.
- *Predicate instances* in *postconditions* are “*unfolded*” to match a pre.
  - Tags in the post control the number of *unfoldings*.
  - Infinite unfolding are impossible by design.

**Theorem:**

If  $P \rightsquigarrow Q \mid c$

then  $c$  terminates.

# Obvious Limitation

```
{ P * lseg1 (x, s) } void foo(loc x, loc y) { lseg1 (y, s) }
```

```
{x, y ,z} ; { P1 * lseg1 (x, s) * P2 }
```

??

```
{ lseg1 (z, s)}
```

```
{ P * lseg1 (x, s) } void foo(loc x, loc y) { lseg▪ (y, s) }
```

foo(x, y);

```
{ lseg▪ (y, s) * P2 }
```

??



```
{ lseg1 (z, s) }
```

# All Rules

$$\text{STARPARTIAL}$$

$$\frac{x + \iota \neq y + \iota' \notin \phi \quad \phi' \triangleq \phi \wedge (x + \iota \neq y + \iota')}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi'; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * \langle y, \iota' \rangle \mapsto e' * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{OPEN}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{D} \triangleq p(\overline{x_i}) \overline{\langle \xi_j, \{\chi_j, R_j\} \rangle}_{j \in 1 \dots N} \in \Sigma \\ \ell < \text{MaxUnfold} \quad \sigma \triangleq [\overline{x_i} \mapsto \overline{y_i}] \quad \text{Vars}(\overline{y_i}) \subseteq \Gamma \\ \phi_j \triangleq \phi \wedge [\sigma] \xi_j \wedge [\sigma] \chi_j \quad P_j \triangleq [[\sigma] R_j]^{\ell+1} * [P] \\ \forall j \in 1 \dots N, \quad \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi_j; P_j\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c_j \\ c \triangleq \text{if } ([\sigma] \xi_1) \{c_1\} \text{ else } \{\text{if } ([\sigma] \xi_2) \dots \text{else } \{c_N\}\} \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * p^\ell(\overline{y_i})\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{ABDUCECALL}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F} \triangleq f(\overline{x_i}) : \{\phi_f; P_f * F_f\} \{\psi_f; Q_f\} \in \Sigma \\ F_f \text{ has no predicate instances} \quad [\sigma] P_f = P \\ F_f \neq \text{emp} \quad F' \triangleq [\sigma] F_f \quad \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; F\} \rightsquigarrow \{\phi; F'\} | c_1 \\ \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * F' * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c_2 \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * F * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c_1; c_2}$$

$$\text{READ}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} a \in \text{GV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \quad y \notin \text{Vars}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \Gamma \cup \{y\}; [y/a] \{\phi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto a * P\} \rightsquigarrow [y/a] \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto a * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | \text{let } y = *(x + \iota); c}$$

$$\text{CLOSE}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{D} \triangleq p(\overline{x_i}) \overline{\langle \xi_j, \{\chi_j, R_j\} \rangle}_{j \in 1 \dots N} \in \Sigma \\ \ell < \text{MaxUnfold} \quad \sigma \triangleq [\overline{x_i} \mapsto \overline{y_i}] \\ \text{for some } k, 1 \leq k \leq N \quad R' \triangleq [[\sigma] R_k]^{\ell+1} \\ \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\mathcal{P}\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi \wedge [\sigma] \xi_k \wedge [\sigma] \chi_k; Q * R'\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\mathcal{P}\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q * p^\ell(\overline{y_i})\} | c}$$

$$\text{CALL}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F} \triangleq f(\overline{x_i}) : \{\phi_f; P_f\} \{\psi_f; Q_f\} \in \Sigma \\ R =^\ell [\sigma] P_f \quad \phi \Rightarrow [\sigma] \phi_f \\ \phi' \triangleq [\sigma] \psi_f \quad R' \triangleq [[\sigma] Q_f] \quad \overline{e_i} = [\sigma] \overline{x_i} \\ \text{Vars}(\overline{e_i}) \subseteq \Gamma \quad \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi \wedge \phi'; P * R'\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | f(\overline{e_i}); c}$$

$$\text{ALLOC}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} R = [z, n] * \ast_{0 \leq i \leq n} (\langle z, i \rangle \mapsto e_i) \quad z \in \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ (\{y\} \cup \{\overline{t_i}\}) \cap \text{Vars}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) = \emptyset \\ R' \triangleq [y, n] * \ast_{0 \leq i \leq n} (\langle y, i \rangle \mapsto t_i) \\ \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * R'\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q * R\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q * R\} | \text{let } y = \text{malloc}(n); c}$$

$$\text{FREE}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} R = [x, n] * \ast_{0 \leq i \leq n} (\langle x, i \rangle \mapsto e_i) \\ \text{Vars}(\{x\} \cup \{\overline{e_i}\}) \subseteq \Gamma \quad \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | \text{free}(n); c}$$

$$\text{WRITE}$$

$$\frac{\text{Vars}(e) \subseteq \Gamma \quad \Gamma; \{\phi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * Q\} | c}{\Gamma; \{\phi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e' * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * Q\} \mid *(x + \iota) = e; c}$$

$$\text{UNIFYHEAPS}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} [\sigma] R' = R \\ \text{frameable } (R') \quad \emptyset \neq \text{dom}(\sigma) \subseteq \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \Gamma; \{P * R\} \rightsquigarrow [\sigma] \{\psi; Q * R'\} | c \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q * R'\} | c}$$

$$\text{FRAME}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \cap \text{Vars}(R) = \emptyset \\ \text{frameable } (R') \quad \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P * R\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q * R\} | c}$$

$$\text{INDUCTION}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} f \triangleq \text{goal's name} \\ \overline{x_i} \triangleq \text{goal's formals} \\ P_f \triangleq p^1(\overline{y_i}) * [P] \quad Q_f \triangleq [Q] \\ \mathcal{F} \triangleq f(\overline{x_i}) : \{\phi_f; P_f\} \{\psi_f; Q_f\} \\ \Sigma, \mathcal{F}; \Gamma; \{\phi; p^0(\overline{y_i}) * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; p^0(\overline{y_i}) * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{EMP}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) = \emptyset \quad \phi \Rightarrow \psi \\ \Gamma; \{\phi; \text{emp}\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; \text{emp}\} | \text{skip} \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | \text{error}}$$

$$\text{INCONSISTENCY}$$

$$\frac{\phi \Rightarrow \perp}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | \text{error}}$$

$$\text{NULLNOTLVAL}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} x \neq 0 \notin \phi \quad \phi' \triangleq \phi \wedge x \neq 0 \\ \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi'; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; \langle x, \iota \rangle \mapsto e * P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{SUBSTLEFT}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} \phi \Rightarrow x = y \\ \Gamma; [y/x] \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow [y/x] \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{PICK}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} y \in \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \text{Vars}(e) \in \Gamma \cup \text{GV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow [e/y] \{\psi; Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi; Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{UNIFYPURE}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} [\sigma] \psi' = \phi' \\ \emptyset \neq \text{dom}(\sigma) \subseteq \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \Gamma; \{\mathcal{P}\} \rightsquigarrow [\sigma] \{Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Gamma; \{\phi \wedge \phi'; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi \wedge \psi'; Q\} | c}$$

$$\text{SUBSTRIGHT}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} x \in \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) \\ \Sigma; \Gamma; \{\mathcal{P}\} \rightsquigarrow [e/x] \{\psi; Q\} | c \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\mathcal{P}\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi \wedge x = e; Q\} | c}$$

# Synthesis Algorithm

# Proof Search Algorithm

- Goal-driven, with *backtracking* (in CPS), trying a fixed set of rules;
- *Branching*: some rules (e.g., Close, Unify) emit many alternatives;
- Inductive predicates in the *precondition* emit *more than one subgoal*;
- Along with the program, emits the *complete proof tree*;
- *Conjecture*: the algorithm terminates (to be established formally).

# Optimisations

- Invertible Rules (*cf. Focusing in Proof Theory*)
- Partitioning rules into *phases*
- “Early Failure” rules
- Reducing backtracking with symmetry reduction
  - Detecting potentially independent derivations via a version of Frame Rule

# “Early Failure” rules

$$\text{POSTINCONSISTENT} \quad \frac{\phi \wedge \psi \Rightarrow \perp}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi, Q\} \mid \text{magic}}$$

$$\text{POSTINVALID} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} P \text{ has no pred. instances} \\ \text{EV}(\Gamma, \mathcal{P}, Q) = \emptyset \quad \neg(\phi \Rightarrow \psi) \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi; P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi, Q\} \mid \text{magic}}$$

$$\text{UNREACHHEAP} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} P, Q \text{ have no pred. instances or blocks} \\ \text{unmachedHeaplets}(P, Q) \end{array}}{\Sigma; \Gamma; \{\phi, P\} \rightsquigarrow \{\psi, Q\} \mid \text{magic}}$$

# Implementation

# SuSLik



(**S**ynthesis **u**sing **S**eparation **L**og**ik**)

<i>Group</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Code</i>	<i>Code/Spec</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>T-phase</i>	<i>T-inv</i>	<i>T-fail</i>	<i>T-com</i>	<i>T-all</i>	<i>T-IS</i>
Integers	swap two	12	0.9x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	min of two <sup>2</sup>	10	0.7x	0.1	0.1	0.1	< 0.1	0.1	0.2	
Linked List	length <sup>1,2</sup>	21	1.2x	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.6	1.4	29x
	max <sup>1</sup>	27	1.7x	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.8	20x
	min <sup>1</sup>	27	1.7x	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.5	1.2	49x
	singleton <sup>2</sup>	11	0.8x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	dispose	11	2.8x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	initialize	13	1.4x	< 0.1	0.1	0.1	< 0.1	0.1	< 0.1	
	copy <sup>3</sup>	35	2.5x	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	-	
	append <sup>3</sup>	19	1.1x	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.7	
	delete <sup>3</sup>	44	2.6x	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.7	
Sorted list	prepend <sup>1</sup>	11	0.3x	0.2	1.4	83.5	0.1	0.1	-	48x
	insert <sup>1</sup>	58	1.2x	4.8	-	-	-	5.0	-	6x
	insertion sort <sup>1</sup>	28	1.3x	1.1	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.2	74.2	82x
Tree	size	38	2.7x	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	
	dispose	16	4.0x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	copy	55	3.9x	0.4	49.8	-	0.8	1.4	-	
	flatten w/append	48	4.0x	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	
	flatten w/acc	35	1.9x	0.6	1.7	0.7	0.5	0.6	-	
BST	insert <sup>1</sup>	58	1.2x	31.9	-	-	-	-	-	11x
	rotate left <sup>1</sup>	15	0.1x	37.7	-	-	-	-	-	0.5x
	rotate right <sup>1</sup>	15	0.1x	17.2	-	-	-	-	-	0.8x

<sup>1</sup> From (Qiu and Solar-Lezama 2017)

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<sup>3</sup> From (Qiu et al. 2013)

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Linked List	length <sup>1,2</sup>	21	1.2x	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.6	1.4	29x
	max <sup>1</sup>	27	1.7x	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.8	20x
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	singleton <sup>2</sup>	11	0.8x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	dispose	11	2.8x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	initialize	13	1.4x	< 0.1	0.1	0.1	< 0.1	0.1	< 0.1	
	copy <sup>3</sup>	35	2.5x	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	-	
	append <sup>3</sup>	19	1.1x	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.7	
	delete <sup>3</sup>	44	2.6x	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.7	
Sorted list	prepend <sup>1</sup>	11	0.3x	0.2	1.4	83.5	0.1	0.1	-	48x
	insert <sup>1</sup>	58	1.2x	4.8	-	-	-	5.0	-	6x
	insertion sort <sup>1</sup>	28	1.3x	1.1	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.2	74.2	82x
Tree	size	38	2.7x	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	
	dispose	16	4.0x	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	
	copy	55	3.9x	0.4	49.8	-	0.8	1.4	-	
	flatten w/append	48	4.0x	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	
	flatten w/acc	35	1.9x	0.6	1.7	0.7	0.5	0.6	-	
BST	insert <sup>1</sup>	58	1.2x	31.9	-	-	-	-	-	11x
	rotate left <sup>1</sup>	15	0.1x	37.7	-	-	-	-	-	0.5x
	rotate right <sup>1</sup>	15	0.1x	17.2	-	-	-	-	-	0.8x

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# ImpSynt vs SuSLik

```
loc srtl_insert(loc x, int k)
requires srtl(x)
ensures srtl(ret) ∧
    len(ret) = old(len(x)) + 1 ∧
    min(ret) = (old(k) < old(min(x))
        ? old(k) : old(min(x))) ∧
    max(ret) = (old(max(x)) < old(k)
        ? old(k) : old(max^(x)))
{
    if (cond(1)) {
        loc ?? := new;
        return ??;
    } else {
        statement(1);
        loc ?? := srtl_insert(??, ??);
        statement(1);
        return ??;
    }
}

void srtl_insert(loc x, loc ret)
{
    n1 = n + 1 ∧
    lo1 = (k ≤ lo ? k : lo) ∧
    hi1 = (hi ≤ k ? k : hi) ;
    ret ↠ y * srtl(y, n1, lo1, hi1)
}
```

# Demo

(Do we have time for it?)

# Resources

- *Structuring the Synthesis of Heap-Manipulating Programs*  
Nadia Polikarpova and Ilya Sergey  
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1807.07022>
- GitHub repository:  
<https://github.com/TyGuS/suslik>
- Online Demo:  
<http://comcom.csail.mit.edu/comcom/#SuSLik>

# To Take Away

- Separation Logic (SL) is a Proof System for heap-manipulating programs.
- Synthetic Separation Logic (SSL) expresses program synthesis as algorithmic proof search for SL-style specifications.
- SuSLik is a *deductive synthesis tool* implementing fast proof search in SSL.
  - Google: “*suslik separation logic*”

Thanks!

